

SUBJECT

Resolution 2010-010 Ratifying the Reappointment of Robin Gard to the Poudre River Public Library District Board of Trustees.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Resolution 2007-026 ratified the initial appointments to the Library Board of Trustees on March 6, 2007. Seven Trustees were appointed to the Board with initial terms ranging from 1 to 5 years. The initial term of Trustee Robin Gard expires on March 6, 2010 and she needs to be reappointed to the Board or replaced. The Library Trustee Selection Committee, comprised of Councilmembers Manvel and Poppaw and Larimer County Commissioners Gaiter and Johnson, unanimously recommends the reappointment of Robin Gard to the Library Board of Trustees for a four-year term.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

In November 2006, voters approved the formation of the Fort Collins Regional Library District. This name was changed to the Poudre River Public Library District in February 2009. The City Council and County Commissioners formed a Library District Trustee Selection Committee, comprised of two Councilmembers and two Commissioners. The Committee interviewed numerous candidates for the Board of Trustees and recommended seven candidates to the full Council and to the Commissioners for ratification. The candidates were ratified unanimously by both the Council and the Commissioners.

The intergovernmental agreement between the City, County and District sets out the process for appointing Trustees. It provides that a committee comprised of two members of Council and two Commissioners will recommend a candidate for appointment who must be ratified by a two-thirds majority of both the full Council and the Commissioners.

The Committee, comprised of Councilmembers Ben Manvel and Lisa Poppaw and Commissioners Lew Gaiter and Steve Johnson, met on February 9, 2010. The Committee unanimously recommends to the Council and the Commissioners that Robin Gard be reappointed to the Poudre River Public Library District Board of Trustees for a four-year term, as provided in the Board's bylaws.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Resolution.

RESOLUTION 2010-010
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
RATIFYING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROBIN GARD TO
THE POUDBRE RIVER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2006, the voters approved a citizen initiative to establish and fund the Fort Collins Regional Library District, now called the Poudre River Public Library District (the "Library District"), pursuant to Sections 24-90-101 to 606 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (the "Library Law"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Library Law, the City Council and Larimer County Commissioners each appointed two of their members to a committee (the "Committee") to fill seven positions on the initial board of trustees of the Library District; and

WHEREAS, also in accordance with the Library Law, the City Council ratified the appointment of seven trustees to the Library Board of Trustees on March 6, 2007, pursuant to Resolution 2007-026; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has performed impressively, working well together and undertaking a heavy work load with passion, dedication and a commitment to providing exceptional library services to the community; and

WHEREAS, the initial term of Trustee Robin Gard is expiring; and

WHEREAS, the Committee met and decided to reappoint Ms. Gard to a second term; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Bylaws of the Library District Board of Trustees, a trustee may serve no more than two consecutive four-year terms, which are staggered so that one or two trustees are appointed or reappointed every year; and

WHEREAS, Section 24-90-108(2)(b) of the Library Law requires that the Committee's trustee appointments be ratified by a two-thirds majority vote of the legislative body of each governmental unit participating in the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS that pursuant to the requirements of the Colorado Library Law, the City Council, by a two-thirds majority vote of its members, hereby ratifies the Committee's reappointment of Robin Gard to the Board of Trustees of the Poudre River Public Library District for a four year term; provided, however, that such action is contingent upon the Larimer County Commissioners taking similar action.

Passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fort Collins this 16th day of February, A.D. 2010.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk